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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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1-Hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-Diphosphonic Acid from the People's Republic of China:

Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2018

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on 1-Hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-Diphosphonic Acid (HEDP) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 1, 2019, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the CVD order on HEDP from China for the period January

1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.¹ On May 31, 2019, Compass Chemical International LLC (Compass Chemical), a domestic interested party, filed a timely request for review with respect to Shandong Taihe Chemicals Co., Ltd., Shandong Taihe Water Treatment Technologies Co., Ltd., and Henan Qingshuiyuan Technology Co., Ltd., in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(b).² Pursuant to this request, and in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review of these companies.³ On August 26, 2019, Compass Chemical filed a timely withdrawal of request for the administrative review.⁴

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Secretary will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. As noted above, Compass Chemical, the only party to file a request for review, withdrew its request by the 90-day deadline. Accordingly, we are rescinding the administrative review of the CVD order on HEDP from China for the period January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, in its entirety.

Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess CVD duties on all appropriate entries of HEDP from China. CVD duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated CVD duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to

¹ See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review*, 84 FR 18479 (May 1, 2019).

² See Letter from Compass Chemical, “Request for Administrative Review: 1-Hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-Diphosphonic Acid from the People’s Republic of China,” dated May 31, 2019.

³ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 84 FR 33739 (July 15, 2019).

⁴ See Letter from Compass Chemical, “1-Hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-Diphosphonic Acid from the People’s Republic of China,” dated August 26, 2019.

issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of CVD duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of CVD duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled CVD duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to all parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: September 4, 2019.

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for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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